CLAIMS

- 1. A method for providing a client aware desktop display to a client device, comprising:
- 5 receiving a request for a resource from said client device; obtaining a client value for said request;

mapping said client value to a unique identifier, that identifies a graphics subsystem of said client device;

selecting a container comprising content selection and

10 formatting specific to said graphics subsystem;

dispatching said request to said container; and communicating the contents of said container to said client device.

- 15 2. The method of Claim 1, wherein said client value implicitly determines said graphics subsystem.
 - 3. The method of Claim 1, wherein said client value explicitly determines said graphics subsystem

- 4. The method of Claim 1, wherein said client value is obtained from an HTTP user agent header.
- 5. The method of Claim 1, wherein said desktop display 25 comprises a plurality of displayed channels.

- 6. The method of Claim 1, wherein said desktop display comprises hypertext links.
- 7. The method of Claim 1, wherein said container comprises content that is hierarchically organized in accordance with said graphics subsystem.
 - 8. A system for providing a client aware desktop display to a client device, comprising a portal server, wherein said portal server further comprises:

a mobile access component for providing a communications session with said client device;

an identity server component for identifying said client and determining a client value, wherein said client value identifies a display type of said client device; and

a desktop component for selecting an aggregation container comprising content configured in accordance with said display type.

- 9. The system of Claim 8, further comprising an authentication server coupled to said portal server.
 - 10. The system of Claim 8, further comprising a resource server coupled to said portal server.

11. The system of Claim 8, further comprising a mail server coupled to said portal server.

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- 12. The system of Claim 8, further comprising a firewall coupled to said portal server.
- 5 13. The system of Claim 12, further comprising a gateway coupled to said firewall.
 - 14. The system of Claim 13, further comprising a wireless access point coupled to said firewall.

15. A computer readable medium containing executable instructions which, when executed in a system comprising a portal server coupled to a client device, causes the system to perform the steps of providing a client aware desktop display to

receiving a request for a resource from said client device; obtaining a client value for said request;

mapping said client value to a unique identifier, wherein said unique identifier identifies a graphics subsystem of said client device;

selecting a container comprising content selection and formatting specific to said graphics subsystem;

dispatching said request to said container; and delivering the contents of said container to said client device.

said client device, comprising:

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- 16. The computer readable medium of Claim 15, wherein said request is made using the hypertext transfer protocol (HTTP).
- 17. The medium of Claim 16, wherein said client value is obtained from an HTTP user agent header.
 - 18. The medium of Claim 15, wherein said desktop display comprises a plurality of displayed channels.
- 19. The medium of Claim 15, wherein said desktop display comprises hypertext links.
- 20. The medium of Claim 15, wherein said container comprises content that is hierarchically organized in accordance with said graphics subsystem.